

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

Replace the abstract as follows:

“A control device or a method monitors access of at least one body or one person ~~(11.1)~~ to an access area. ~~To this end, the device comprises,~~ the device comprising at least one emitting element that emits light radiation into the access area, ~~and comprises~~ at least one receiving element that receives the light radiation, ~~and at least one means which generates a diffused light field (11.3, 11.6) is provided that emits the light radiation, which is emitted into the access area, in the form of a planar light field. On, where on the receive side, a detection element for the diffused detection of the light field and a transferring means for transferring the light detected in a diffused manner to the receiving element are provided. This makes it possible to obtain a complete and continuous monitoring of an access area.~~”